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SUBJECT: Salary Offset for Agricultural Stabilization and
Conservation Service (ASCS) County Office Employees

TO: All State Directors, State Directors-at-Large, District
Directors, and County Supervisors, FmHA

Purpose/Intended Outcome:

The purpose of this memorandum is to clarify current FmHA policy regarding salary offset against ASCS county employees. The intended outcome is to impose a moratorium on processing salary offsets against ASCS county employees.

Comparison with Previous AN:

No previous AN on this subject has been issued.

Background:

Salary offset can be exercised only against Federal employees, including the U.S. Postal Service, the Postal Rate Commission, and members of the U.S. Armed Forces, including reserves. ASCS county employees are employed by the ASCS County Committee, not the Federal government, and may not be subject to salary offset. ASCS has requested an Office of the General Counsel (OGC) opinion concerning whether salary offset can be exercised against those employees. Until we receive a formal opinion, ASCS county employees will not be referred for salary offset. However, ASCS State and National Office employees are Federal employees and are subject to salary offset.

Implementation Responsibilities:

Until notified otherwise, FmHA County Supervisors and Administrative Officers will ensure that no ASCS county office employees are referred for salary offset.

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